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February 20, 2019

TO: The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Scott Morishige, MSW, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness

SUBJECT: **SB 1131 SD1 – RELATING TO OHANA ZONES**

Hearing: Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 10:05 a.m.

Conference Room 211, State Capitol

POSITION: The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness appreciates the intent of this bill and respectfully offers comments. The Coordinator appreciates the amendment of the Senate Committees on Human Services and Housing to extend the sunset date for the Ohana Zone pilot program.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: The purpose of the bill is to increase the number of Ohana Zone sites on Oahu from three to six, and to increase the number of Ohana Zones on the islands of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui by at least two additional sites on each island if permitted by the Ohana Zones pilot program capacity. In addition, the bill requires additional information to be included in reports submitted prior to the convening of the 2020 and 2021 legislative sessions. The bill also appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for the Ohana Zone pilot program.

The Coordinator notes that the Office of the Governor has already committed Ohana Zone funds appropriated by Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, to support seven projects on the island of Oahu. The Office of the Governor is currently in discussion with the Counties of Maui, Hawaii, and Kauai to consider additional projects in those counties. A report regarding the allocation of Ohana Zone funds was submitted to the legislature in December 2018, and can be found online at: https://humanservices.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/2019-HRS-346-3819-Report-Re-HICH-Act-209-2018-Re-Ohana-Zone-Medical-Pilots.pdf.

The Coordinator is supportive of additional efforts to address homelessness and, in particular, to expand the availability of permanent supportive housing resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



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February 19, 2019

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Committee on Ways and Means

Harry Kim Mayor

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

RE: SB 1131, SD1 Relating to Ohana Zones

Hawai'i County supports SB 1131, SD1.

SB 1131, SD1 broadens the scope of the Ohana Zones Pilot Program by increasing the number of zones and extending the implementation period. Hawai'i County has identified potential ohana zone sights that, if funded, will increase the number of short-term and permanent housing beds. As part of its implementation plan, Hawai'i County will partner with medical and social services providers in the delivery of services and resources to program participants as part of the plan to transition to appropriate permanent housing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harry Kim MAYOR

<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/18/2019 10:22:42 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:05:37 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Cyndy Endrizal, RDN, FAND	Testifying for Wahiawa Center for Community Health	Support	No

<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/16/2019 4:12:33 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Golojuch Jr	Testifying for LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

The LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii supports the passage of SB 1131 SD1.

Mahalo for your consideration and for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Michael Golojuch, Jr.

Chair

LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 5:05:19 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
"Phil" Augustus Acosta	Testifying for ALEA Bridge	Support	Yes	

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

We are in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu. The current plans are merely repurposing existing facilities and not creating the required resources to address the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of SB1131.

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 9:58:42 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JOHN TOILLION	Testifying for MILILANI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	Support	No

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

I am submitting this written testimony in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu to address our critical homeless & housing issues. The current plans are inadequate, merely re-purposing existing facilities and not creating the required resources to meet the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 12:21:04 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Goodman	Testifying for Hawaii Kai Homeless Task Force	Support	No

Comments:

RE: SB1131

Hearing: Wed, 2/20/19; 10:05 am; Rm 211

To: Committee on Ways and Means; Chair; Senator Donavan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair, Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran

From: Mike Goodman, Director, The Hawaii Kai Homeless Tas Force; Member of Partners In Care

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of **SB1131**, with suggested amendments.

We support this bill, because it's crucial for us to locate and designate more land to serve the homeless.

WE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

FIRST: Ohana Zones was originally envisaged as a three-year pilot program. This bill also defines Ohana Zones as a pilot.

We propose the bill be amended so that THE LAND DESIGNATED FOR OHANA ZONES remain permanently for the purpose of serving the homeless, and eventually for the construction of permanent supportive housing.

A sufficient inventory of permanent housing is the only way to ultimately end the homeless crisis. To create enough housing we need land, and so the land designated for Ohana Zones should eventually be used for permanent supportive housing. The State spent years locating and designating land to use for the homeless, and it would be foolish to relinquish it after only three years.

SECOND: Ohana Zones were not intended to be like traditional safe zones, where homeless are given nothing more than a specified location where they have permission

to live. That didn't work here when Mayor Fasi tried it in Ala Park, and it hasn't worked on the mainland.

Ohana Zones were instead, intendent to provide wrap around services similar to those provided by Housing First Programs, except the beneficiaries would be in tents or other temporary dwellings, instead of apartments. The hope, is this would at the very least, be a form of harm reduction, and an improvement over the current situation.

The goals of Ohana Zones are laudable. But the pilot shouldn't try to re-invent the wheel. Through the collective wisdom of Hawaii's homeless service providers, we know allot about what works and what doesn't work. Therefore, the goal of the Ohana Zones pilot should be to do what we know works, in new ways which are less expensive and can be implemented immediately.

For instance, we know the Housing First program in Hawaii, has a 96.7% success rate with hard-core, mentally ill and substance addicted homeless persons, by giving them a permanent place to live, combined with assertively offered, wrap-around supportive services. It's important to point out, that key to the success of Housing First, is that permanent housing, in-and-of-itself, solves a host of problems related to mental illness and substance addiction; Problems that are much less likely to be resolved, even when the same supportive services are available in a shelter or group home.

That does not mean permanent supportive housing has to be in traditional brick and mortar apartments that cost an average of \$450,000 per unit and takes ten-years to build. First Assembly of God Church's program called "The Shelter", built safe, comfortable housing, using modular polystyrene domes, for about \$25,000 per unit. The domes can be assembled in less than a day, and the foundation and connections to water, electric and sewage can be assembled in weeks. (It took the church 2 years because of the permitting process.)

Accordingly, we propose an amendment so that another purpose of the pilot program is to investigate which ultra-low cost modular dwellings would be best suited for permanent supportive housing.

THIRD: A big problem with locating State land usable for permanent supportive housing is lack of infrastructure.

There are new, so-called "off the grid" technologies, which can provide drinking water, electricity, and process sewage without existing infrastructure.

We therefore propose an amendment to require the pilot program to investigate "off the grid" infrastructure technology.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 9:47:09 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Debra Zedalis	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have been an active volunteer for 3 years with ALEA Bridge, who serves the homesless and low income in Region 5 (Mililani, Wahiawa, and North Shore). I appreciate the complexities of the homelessness issue but believe we do not currently have enough Ohana Zones. Rent in our Region (as I am sure is true in other parts of the island) are very high (I suspect driven, in part, by the # of military who rent near Schofield Barracks) and make renting unaffordable for many. I believe Ohana Zones, working with non-profits and state resources, can be successful. I remain hopeful on this issue and appreciate all the work being done to help our ohana who are homeless.

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 9:23:33 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Joel Bongco	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

I am submitting this written testimony in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu to address our critical homeless & housing issues. The current plans are inadequate, merely re-purposing existing facilities and not creating the required resources to meet the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.

Kelly King

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February 19, 2019

TO:

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM:

Kelly T. King

Council Chair

SUBJECT: HEARING OF FEBRUARY 20, 2019; OFFERING COMMENTS ON

SB 1131, SD1, RELATING TO OHANA ZONES

Thank you for the opportunity to offer **comments** on this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to increase the number of Ohana Zone sites on Oahu and to increase the number of Ohana Zone sites on Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui if the Ohana Zones pilot program capacity permits.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I offer the following comments:

- 1. It appears Ohana Zones program funding has not proven useful on Maui thus far. Increasing the number of sites may not necessarily increase the program's reach or improve its effectiveness.
- 2. I respectfully suggest the Legislature consider modifying the parameters of the program itself. Goals should be focused on providing housing for specific numbers of houseless persons by a certain date, while allowing flexibility in the implementation of the Ohana Zones program to best suit the needs of each island.

Thank you for your consideration of my foregoing **comments** on this measure.

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<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:33:13 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paul Normann	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this SB1131 so that we can use Ohana Zone funding to effectivly address homelessness. Multiple Ohana Zone projects are especially important on the Big Island, where the population is spread over a large geographic area.



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:58:37 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Elise Carmody	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in support of this bill. As homeless are chased off sidewalks and out of parks in Honolulu they are moving throughout the Island. More ohana zones are needed as we work towards humane solutions to the homeless problem.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 11:22:52 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ann S Freed	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and members,

I am in strong support of this measure. As a member of Neighborhood Board 25 I have heard briefings on the homeless problem on Oahu and am encouraged that steps are being taken to help these vulnerable people, many of whom are women and children.

A 2004 study showed Hawaii had one of the highest rates of homeless children, 14 % well above the national average.

A more recent HUD report showed our state to be number one in rates of homelessness in the US.

We applaud the Legislature for moving this bill forward as a mighty step towards helping our Ohana. After all we are all in this together.

Mahalo,

Ann S. Freed

Mililani Resident.



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 11:27:17 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Kampfer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support SB1131 because it is a step forward in addressing the severe homeless situation in our state. The homeless need solutions, not rhetoric. The Sand Island facilties erected on Oahu seem to be a working model for homless housing. More land needs to be identified for similar housing on Oahu and the neighbor islands. Besides housing, these zones must also provide the services that the homeless need.



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 12:24:42 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stefani jeremiah	Individual	Oppose	No



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 1:01:17 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Cindy Yen	Individual	Support	No	



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:01:12 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
tamara campbell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

We are in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu. The current plans are merely repurposing existing facilities and not creating the required resources to address the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of SB1131.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:40:58 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Garrett Sisson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

This written testimony is to show my support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu to address our critical homeless & housing issues and I strongly encourage you to support this important bill too. There are no current plans that properly provide a reasonable solution for the staggering number of chronically homeless. We need new solutions to solve this issue more efficiently and effectively. Please support SB1131.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.

Thank you,

Garrett Sisson



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:34:35 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Joray Witt	Individual	Support	No	1

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

My name is Joray Witt, I am born & raised in Wahiawa. Although I live in Waikele now, I continue to go back to Wahiawa every 2nd & 4th Saturday of every month with Inspire Health Outreach (IHOT). Our outreach is led by an MD Neal Shimoda & I'm an ER RN. IHOT consists of physicians, RNs, but mainly people who have a heart for the houseless. We're able to check blood pressures, provide wound care, supplies, & food. But most importantly, prayer. We remind our houseless brothers & sisters that God's plan for them is good & encourage their hope in our God. We have paired up with ALEA bridge & are now able to assist in providing essential documents & resources Like IDs, insurance, transport, & even housing.

I no longer stigmatize the houseless as "bums," "druggies," etc. But humanize them & realize, "Uncle George needs socks." "Aunty Ipo is in an unsafe & abusive relationship." These are our extended ohana who need our help. I truly believe this bill will help my hometown of Wahiawa.

I am submitting this written testimony in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu to address our critical homeless & housing issues. The current plans are inadequate, merely re-purposing existing facilities and not creating the required resources to meet the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 4:31:15 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cora L Rada	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in suppot of Senate Bill 1131

Mahalo



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 7:15:11 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Madonna Sisson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 7:47:07 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
roselinda coleman	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:05:28 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
gabrielle naniseni	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.

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Mahalo,



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:10:44 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Malosi scanlan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:18:03 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Lorianne Takushi	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131

Mahalo



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:18:43 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
justin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:45:30 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
becca	Individual	Support	No

SB1131SD1 Multiple Testifiers

Tatiana Ala

Leisa Uelese

Rebekah

Kel

Angeline

Sone tanielu

Raymond Polido

Xyrene

Cherise

Sakura Harris

Jordyn Arakaki

Natalie Gamboa

Marley Arecchi

Madelibe Hartwell



Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:19:22 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Tatiana Ala	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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Mahalo,

Tatiana Ala



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2019 4:49:10 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Anna Weber	Individual	Support	No

<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2019 8:51:38 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Naomi Kauahi	Individual	Support	No	Ī

Submitted on: 2/20/2019 8:47:08 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
makanani rivera	Individual	Oppose	No	

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.



Submitted on: 2/20/2019 10:11:19 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joy Mahiko	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.

Joy Mahiko

Resident of Wahiawa Community



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2019 11:54:24 AM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Darin Yukumoto	Individual	Support	No



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Submitted on: 2/20/2019 12:42:37 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Krina Shah	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Mahalo,

Krina Shah



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2019 12:54:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hayley LaBonte	Individual	Support	No



<u>SB-1131-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2019 1:45:11 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Yasmina	Individual	Support	No



Submitted on: 2/20/2019 3:43:19 PM

Testimony for WAM on 2/20/2019 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
MARK K YEN	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

To Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means,

I am y in strong support of this bill to increase the number of Ohana Zones on Oahu to address our critical homeless & housing issues. I live in Whitmore Village in Wahiawa and when crossing Karsten Thot bridge (either direction), homeless are prevalent. We need to create the required resources to meet the needs of the chronically unsheltered homeless. In addition to what is in place, which is not enought, Innovative solutions must be implemented to establish effective programs that will be accessible, sustainable, and truly affordable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in support of Senate Bill 1131.